

MONTHLY SORTIE GOALS			
961st Airborne Air Control Squadron			
Monthly flying-hour contract	4.9		
Hours flown	17.9		
Monthly offset	13.0		
909th Air Refueling Squadron			
Monthly flying-hour contract	78.0		
Hours flown	62.9		
Monthly offset	-15.1		
67th Fighter Squadron			
Monthly sortie contract	114.8		
Sorties flown	137.6		
Monthly offset	22.8		
44th Fighter Squadron			
Monthly sortie contract	81.0		
Sorties flown	125.0		
Monthly offset	44.0		
33rd Rescue Squadron			
Monthly flying-hour contract	43.3		
Hours flown	31.0		
Monthly offset	12.3		
Source: 18th MOS/MXOOP, as of March 5			

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WEEKEND WEATHER	
	TODAY: Mostly cloudy NW winds @ 10-15 knots High: 71 Low: 63
	SATURDAY: Mostly cloudy S winds @ 6-10 knots High: 73 Low: 64
	SUNDAY: Mostly cloudy N/WS winds @ 10-30 knots High: 70 Low: 62
FRIDAY MORNING'S COMMUNITYBANK EXCHANGERATES BUYING: \$1=Y115 SELLING: Y121=\$1	

BALIKATAN 2006

Kadena Airmen return from successful exercise

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake
18th Wing Public Affairs

Nearly 70 Kadena Airmen deployed in support of Exercise Balikatan '06 in the Philippines came home earlier this week after two weeks of intense training and real-world events.

Airmen from the 31st and 33rd Rescue Squadrons and 718th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron were part of more than 5,500 U.S. servicemembers and 2,800 host nation forces participating in the three-phase exercise that tested humanitarian and civic assistance, combined task force training, and field training.

"Our primary role was participation in the field training exercises," explained Lt. Col. John Dallin, 33rd Rescue Squadron director of operations. "The exercise was very successful. We executed nine of 10 exercise missions at Clark [Field]. We also provided the Joint Special Operations Task Force-Philippines with six missions flown out of Zamboanga."

Master Sgt. Larry Haro, 718th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron unit exercise planner, said this year's exercise was "more fluid" than past exercises due to two major real world events – a mudslide that buried an entire village in Leyte Feb. 17 and a coup



Courtesy photo

One of two 33rd Rescue Squadron HH-60 Pave Hawks supporting Exercise Balikatan 2006 combs the Philippine landscape last week.

attempt in Manila that prompted President Gloria Arroyo to declare a state of emergency throughout the country Feb. 24.

"I learned to be very flexible," he said. "The long hours were to be expected and all of the folks had a good attitude despite constant shift hour changes that were a result of the current events [unfolding] in the Philippines."

Despite the complications, Sergeant Haro felt confident that Kadena Airmen got the training they needed.

"What I think I will remember most about this exercise is how the units of the 18th Wing were ready and able to deal with the constant changes during the exercise," he said. "Cancellations, delays in training, natural calamities and local events that affected availability of the Armed Forces of the Philippines were taken in stride and training was still accomplished with what we had. Every opportunity that exposed itself was exploited in training both with the host nation forces and within the 18th Wing units."

Sergeant Haro added that the exercise also provided a vital opportunity for Kadena Airmen to network with U.S. servicemembers in the sister services and, on a personal goal, practice his native language.

"It's been a total honor to have been associated with the planning and execution of the exercise," said Sergeant Haro. "With me being of Filipino descent and being fluent in not only Tagalog, but also in the local area language and some of the other dialects, this would be a dream of any American-Filipino serving their nation's military, and representing the Air Force and 18th Wing was something I dreamed of when I first arrived at Kadena six years ago."

Air Force Assistance Fund begins Monday

By Master Sgt. Adam Johnston
18th Wing Public Affairs

Kadena residents have until April 23 to help raise nearly \$100,000 in contributions to a fund designed to help Airmen in need.

The 2006 Air Force Assistance Fund campaign begins Monday and organizers said the local goal for this year's campaign is \$98,771.

The annual campaign supports four Air Force-specific charities: The Air Force Aid Society, the Air Force Village Indigent Widows Fund, the Air Force Enlisted Foundation, Inc. and the Gen. and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation Indigent Widows Fund.

Unlike the Combined Federal Campaign, the Air Force Assistance Fund campaign is designed specifically to help Air Force members and their families, said 1st Lt. Darren Hill, project officer for this year's local campaign.

Last year, 29 percent of the active duty population at Kadena contributed, said Lieutenant Hill. "Getting people to contribute is the more difficult aspect of the project," he said. The goal at Kadena this year is to have 100 percent face-to-face contact with all active-duty members to ensure everyone has a chance to make a contribution.

Lieutenant Hill said contributions are tax deductible and all the money raised by Air Force people helps other Airmen. "There will be plenty of opportunity for every Airmen to contribute," he said.

For those who want to contribute, Lieutenant Hill said unit representatives plan on contacting all eligible donors by the end of this month.

"We have people deployed and that's why it's going to take us a little longer to contact everyone," he said.

The Air Force Aid Society is the official charity of the Air Force. It is chartered to assist active-duty members and their families during emergencies.

Last year the society helped more than 30,000 people with \$21.6 million worth of assistance in various forms.

The Air Force Village Indigent Widows Fund provides financial assistance to widows and widowers of Air Force active-duty and retired officers and also supports the Wilford Hall Medical Center bone marrow transplant program.

The Air Force Enlisted Foundation also helps widows of enlisted Airmen who find themselves living in poverty after the death of their spouse.

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New housing units opening this summer

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake
18th Wing Public Affairs

After nearly two years of demolition and reconstruction, 718th Civil Engineer Squadron officials say the first series of new housing complexes since the 1990's should be ready for tenants this summer.

The first phase of a seven-phase base housing reconstruction program funded primarily by the Government of Japan will have more than 115, three-bedroom housing units near the Rocker NCO Club in Stillwell Park completed in June. Under Phase I of the project, which started with demolition of 67 NCO housing units in June 2004, the new four- and six-plex housing units are planned to be ready for new residents later this summer.

According to Tsukasa Higa, 718th CES Special Action Committee Okinawa engineer, the first phase is intended for NCOs, but further phases will include senior NCO and officer's quarters.

"Most of the buildings [demolished] were built between 1948 and 1951," explained Mr. Higa.

He added that all of the nearly 1,500 new housing units planned under the mammoth seven-phase project will be larger than the old units they are replacing, but the homes will be closer together. Although many of the older houses on Kadena are single or duplex layouts, the majority of the new houses will be constructed in townhouse configurations.

"There's more square footage and rooms in the new housing," he said. "We will no longer build two-bedroom units. The new housing units will have three and four bedrooms."

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CC calls first '06 LORE 'major success'

Wing vision focuses on tomorrow's combat readiness

By Brig. Gen. Punch Moulton
18th Wing commander

Shoguns, you did well! I consider our first local operational readiness exercise in six months a major success.



Exercise Beverly High 06-1 demonstrated that the world's greatest combat wing is ready to take on any enemy anywhere in a toe-to-toe fight...which we will win!

Now it's time to focus on honing those combat skills.

We weren't in a dead sprint during this LORE, but we kept a pretty good jog. We pulled together as a team to minimize simulations and every Airman I

saw had their head in a combat mode. At exercise mid-point, when fatigue was sinking in, all I saw were Shoguns generating sorties and sustaining combat airpower with the same precision and sense of urgency as they had the day before.

The huge muscle movement occurred on the flightline and in the sweaty back shops in MOPP-4—my hat's off to Airmen on point who provided our warfighting headquarters with combat capable airplanes. Base-wide we also demonstrated our ability to survive and fight—our medics took on casualty care, engineers kept our runways active, and our support warfighters kept us all connected, secure, fed, supplied, mobile and focused on mission requirements.

This week we gathered our lessons-learned so we can improve both strengths and weaknesses, fix the gaps, and roll into a tougher, more complex

LORE in the spring. No more Base X—from here out we fight the base every couple months. Preparation for the next LORE needs to start now—it's too late once the game is on. Start planning now to stay one step ahead to anticipate the unexpected, communicate clearly across all lines, and to otherwise perform in top form during exercise play.

The short-term goal is to blow the socks off the Pacific Air Forces inspectors during the wing's Operational Readiness Inspection this fall. The long-term goal—the one that sustains our vision for airpower in this region—is to ensure we are always ready to deter aggression and, if necessary, fight and win to protect the vital interests of our nation and Japan. We can only do that if we practice often to remain at the pinnacle of airpower employment.

Well done 18th Wing!

Reflecting on women's achievements during Women's History Month

By Staff Sgt.
Leenette Joseph
18th Wing Military Equal
Opportunity

As retired Air Force Capt. Barbara A. Wilson once said, "military women throughout history have saved lives, gone into space, fought wars, invented, financed and designed everything from nuclear fission to radium." Nonetheless, today in 2005, they continue their fight for equality when it comes to career development and advancement.

We have come a long way since the Women's Armed Services Integration Act was enacted in 1948. The act allowed women to serve in the Armed Forces, but they were automatically discharged upon pregnancy, female officers could not progress beyond the grade of O-5 or serve in combat positions, and women could only supervise other women. Although these provisions were created to provide clear guidance about women's roles in the military, it effectively

created an unacceptable environment and platform for sexual discrimination that persisted without changes for a couple decades.

Thankfully, things have changed. Today, military women are more capable than ever. They hold education levels equal or, in many instances, higher than their male counterparts. They are also involved in more operational fields than ever before; instead of only administrative and medical fields as previously designated.

The U.S. military has been broadly viewed and recognized as a pioneer in providing equal opportunity on recruiting, training, career progression, assignment, benefits, promotion and retention for its uniformed members. Even though many measures have been taken to make this statement a reality, discrimination based on sex, specifically sexist attitudes and behaviors, continues to exist.

Stereotypes of women being too emotional, lacking leadership aptitude, and not

being able to perform under pressure all contribute to current prejudices against women's abilities -- especially in a military environment -- even when these abilities have been tested through the accomplishments of women and the roles they have played through military history.

It's extremely important to address all concerns about unfair treatment in an organization and eliminate the barriers hindering women's opportunity for professional growth. Over the last four decades, the doors for women serving in the military have gradually opened.

In 1967, the two percent cap on enlisted women and some restrictions on promotions were lifted. In 1972, the Reserve Officers Training Corps was opened to women. In 1976, the first women entered service academies. In 1989, two women led their units into combat in Panama. In 1990, the first female commanded a Navy ship, and in 1991 many women moved forward with their units into

combat zones during the Persian Gulf War.

The number of women in the military has more than doubled in the last decade and continues to grow. The military has opened many careers to women, many of which we could have only dreamed to be part of 10 years before. In the Air Force, 99 percent of careers are currently open to women. We have become a vital part of the military, but it has not been an easy ride.

ACTION LINE

E-mail: 18wg.cchotline@kadena.af.mil

The 18th Wing is very interested in ideas that can make Kadena an even better place to live, work and play. If you have a concern that you have been unable to resolve through normal chains of command, then we'll look into it. Although not required, it's better to give commanders, first sergeants or the agencies with which you have the concern the opportunity to correct the situation first. When that fails, send us an e-mail. Include your name and telephone number so someone can get back to you, and a brief summary of your concern.

Don't drink & drive
It has been...
10 days
since the last DUI arrest on Kadena.
60 days = 18th Wing 'Down Day'



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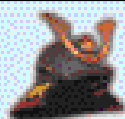
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SHOGUN WARRIORS OF THE WEEK

Editor's note : Shogun Warriors are selected by unit leaders for their outstanding value to their unit and dedication to the Kadena mission. To nominate someone, send the name of your nominee to your unit commander or senior enlisted leaders.



Senior Airman Michael Amandus
Unit: 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron
Hometown: Boise, Idaho
Reason for nomination: Airman Amandus earned the 18th LRS Top 3's "Top Notch" award for leading by example and providing outstanding cryogenic support to all Department of Defense units on Okinawa.
Time at Kadena: 2 years, 7 months



Tech. Sgt. Derrick Hatcher
Unit: 18th Equipment Maintenance Squadron
Hometown: Central Islip, N.Y.
Reason for nomination: Sergeant Hatcher manages the 18th Wing's only full aircraft painting facility on island. He also manages the aircraft wash facility ensuring more than 60 aircraft are corrosion free before a mission.
Time at Kadena: 1 year, 6 months

This week in 18th Wing History

On March 8, 1945, the 67th Fighter Squadron emblem was approved. The centerpiece of the emblem is the gamecock, which symbolizes the unit's aggressive spirit.

DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE: Did you know - 21 to 34-year-old drivers are responsible for nearly 60 percent of all alcohol-related vehicle crashes?

ENERGY CONSERVATION TIP: When time comes around to purchase new computer monitors, choose the smallest monitor that meets your needs. A 17-inch monitor consumes 35 percent more electricity than a 14-inch monitor.

THE HEAT IS OFF: The 18th Civil Engineer Squadron has started shutting down heating systems throughout Kadena. Wing policy states that heat deactivation starts on March 15, or when there is five consecutive days with an average low temperature above 59 degrees. Air conditioning will be reactivated when the five-day average temperature is above 75 degrees, or no later than April 15.

BLOODDRIVE: The Armed Services Blood Bank Center will hold a blood drive from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Building 275 on Torii Station Monday.

BIBLE STUDY: Protestant Women of the Chapel winter Bible study sessions run every Tuesday until April 4. Bible studies are held from 9 to 11 a.m. and 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Kadena Chapel 1. For more information, go to <http://home.attmil.ne.jp/a/pwoc2>.

AIR FORCE AID GRANTS: The Air Force Aid Society can help dependent children of active, retired and deceased Air Force members apply for the General Henry H. Arnold Education Grant Program. The society recently increased the individual award amount under the program to \$2,000. For more information, visit www.afas.org. The deadline for application is today.

POWER OUTAGES: The following 18th Services Squadron facilities will be closed for power outages: Tuesday - Rocker NCO Club from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; March 21 - Auto Skills from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; March 23 - Risner Fitness Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; March 29 - Okuma from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (only cabanas affected.)

AF COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT SURVEY: The AF Integrated Delivery System (IDS) Working Group is sponsoring the 2006 Community Assessment (CA) Survey of service members, spouses, reservists, and reserve spouses. This is the best way for Air Force community members to make their opinions and needs known. The survey results will be used by base leadership and the Air Force to target resources where they are most

Hundreds turn out for National Prayer Breakfast



Air Force/Airman 1st Class Gary Edwards

Chaplain (Brig. Gen.) Cecil Richardson (center left), deputy chief of Air Force chaplains, speaks to hundreds of Kadena guests attending the National Prayer Breakfast held at the Rocker NCO Club March 1. The first National Prayer Breakfast was held in 1953 by President Dwight Eisenhower after Congress signed a resolution declaring an annual National Day of Prayer.

needed and enhance the well-being of the community. The six-week survey starts mid-March; it's web-based and anonymous with results arriving in September. Close to 1,000 spouses and AF members will be selected for the survey. Selection notification will be by mail and/or electronic. For more information, call Maj. Julian McLeod at 634-2499 or Capt. Jonathan Hurt at 634-4821.

SCHOLARSHIPS: The Kadena Officer Spouses Club is offering scholarship opportunities for graduating high school seniors, sons and daughters already in college, and dependent spouses for undergraduate and graduate studies. Dependents of active-duty Air Force of any rank, retired Air Force or KOSC members with SOFA status are eligible to apply. Applications are available at the base library, Kadena Gift Corner, base education office, Officers Club and high school guidance office. The deadline is March 31.

GIRLS SCOUT CAMP: The Kadena Girl Scouts are accepting registration for Kaleidoscope Day Camp for SOFA status girls in kindergarten through sixth grade. The camp will be held April 10-13 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bob Hope Elementary School. Call 634-0753 to regis-

ter or volunteer to help with the camp.

FOREIGN SPOUSES: The Family Support Center is accepting appointments for its April 21 immigration, green card and citizenship class. The class, which is held every third Friday of each month from 8 to 9:30 a.m., provides information, handouts and assistance with applications from government immigration officials. For more information, call 634-3366.

DRAGONBOAT VOLUNTEERS: Men and women are needed for teams that will participate in this year's Naha Dragon Boat Race scheduled for May 5. Volunteers must be Airmen, civilian employees or family members over the age of 18. For more information, call 634-0562.

TROOPS AND SPOUSES-TO-TEACHERS: Troops- and Spouses-to-Teachers briefings will be held Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. in the Kadena High School auditorium. Individual appointments will also be taken after the briefing at the Kadena Education Center, Bldg. 59. Representatives from Florida, Michigan and Indiana will brief, and offer individual counseling sessions from 1 to 5 p.m. at the center. For more information, or to make an appointment, call the Kadena Education Center

(Building 59) at 634-1500.

DIRECT TO HOME SATELLITES: Kadena's furnishings management is currently issuing American Forces Network direct-to-home satellites to active-duty military and Defense Department civilians residing off base. On-base housing and dorm residents, contractors, local national employees, reservists and retirees are excluded from this service. To order the service, visit www.kadena.af.mil to fill out an application online. Applications can be e-mailed to fmo@kadena.af.mil, or turned in to the Kadena Housing Office. Call 632-4206 for more information.

DIRECT DIALING FROM OFF BASE: A new feature, Direct Inward Dial, allows off base callers to dial directly to a Kadena phone number. Below are the corresponding numbers:

630-XXXX = 098-960-XXXX
632-XXXX = 098-962-XXXX
633-XXXX = 098-959-XXXX
634-XXXX = 098-961-XXXX

Callers may receive a busy signal during high traffic hours.

EMERGENCY GUIDE ONLINE: The Kadena Emergency Actions Guide has been updated and is available online at <https://www.kadena.af.mil> from a government computer, or www.kadena.af.mil/okinawa.htm from home. The

guide outlines steps to take during and after an enemy attack (for .mil users), typhoon, natural disaster or major accident. Residents in low-lying areas should also review the section on tsunamis. For more information, call the 18th Civil Engineer Squadron Readiness Flight at 634-4404.

CELLPHONE POLICY: The Air Force has implemented a new cell phone restriction on drivers. Drivers are not allowed to talk on their cell phones while driving on Air Force installations without a hands free device. This policy is part of the Department of Defense's Joint Traffic Guidance. This restriction applies to all government owned vehicles, or GOVs, at all times. No GOV drivers are permitted to talk on a cell phone while driving without a hands-free device on or off base.

SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN: Knowing you are guaranteed a lifetime income as the result of a successful career is one of the best feelings about retiring from the military. But what about your spouse and/or dependent children? Enrolling in the SBP prior to retiring will ensure they will have guaranteed income after your death. Additional details are available by calling your SBP counselor, Glenn Rucker, at 634-3228.



HOUSING

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In comparison, the old two-bedroom units offered tenants 1,032 square feet of living space while the three-bedroom units offered 1,383 square feet. The new three bedroom units offer 1,603 square feet while the four bedroom units offer 1,722 square feet.

In addition, Mr. Higa said the new homes will have upgraded infrastructure, more convenient parking near the front door, modern kitchens and bathrooms and other quality-of-life improvements.

Under Phase II of the plan, more than 120 houses are targeted for demolition and will be eventually replaced by 246 housing units in Stillwell Park and Clark Vista.

Phase III plans call for demolition of more than 380 housing units to make way for 263 new housing units in Seville Manor and the Voice of America area near Gate 1.

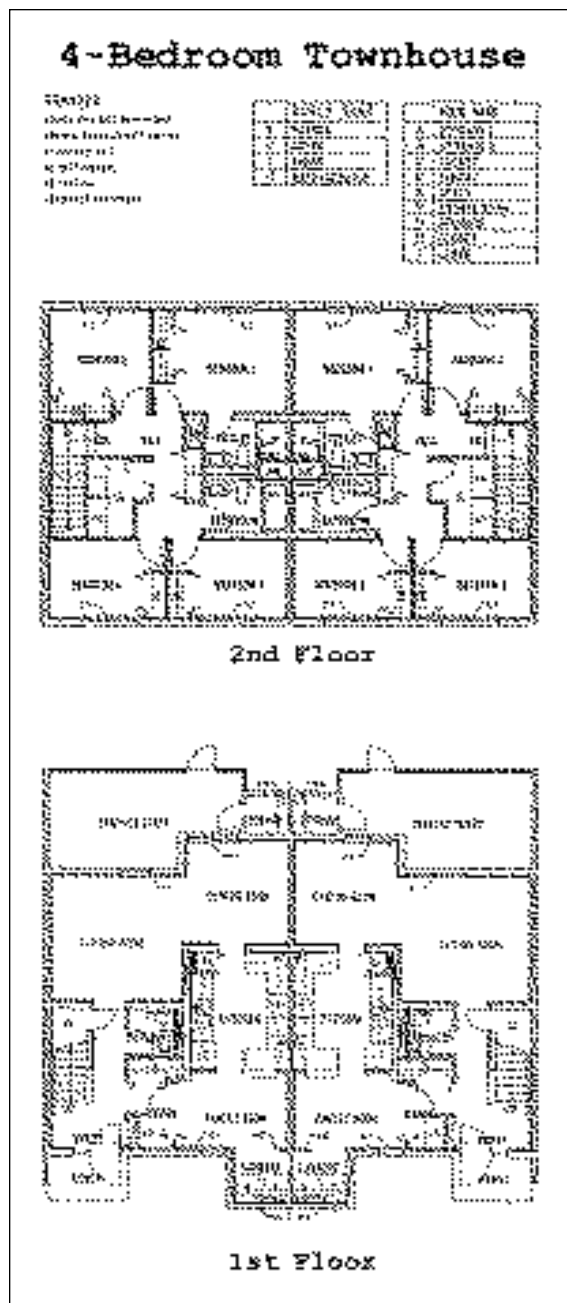
Phase IV will demolish 188 housing units and rebuild 236 housing units in Seville Manor.

Phase V will demolish 251 housing units and rebuild 208 housing units in Seville Manor.

Phase VI will destroy 70 housing units and rebuild 214 housing units in Terrace Heights.

The final phase, Phase VII, will see the demolition of 323 housing units and the rebuilding of 188 housing units in Stearley Heights.

Steven Fazzini, 718th CES SACO engineer, said the seven-phase will extend over the next 25 years to accommodate GOJ funding. Under this funding, contractors will build approximately 50 new housing units per year.



Courtesy art

The floor plan above shows the layout of one of the new four-bedroom six-plex housing units under construction.

Twenty-four master sergeants to add new stripe

Compiled from staff reports

More than 20 Kadena master sergeants will add on another stripe after Air Force officials announced promotions to senior master sergeant Thursday morning.

The following Kadena master sergeants were selected for promotion: **John Thompson**, 18th Operations Support Squadron; **James Thede**, 31st Rescue Squadron; **Steven Flax**, 909th Air Refueling Squadron; **Mark Hyden**, 18th Security Forces Squadron; **Don Hall**, 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron; **Robert Marquez**, 18th Communications Squadron; **Robert Czupryna**, 18th Dental Squadron; **Robert Tolentino**, 18th DS; **Valeria Richardson**, 18th Aerospace Medicine Squadron; **Florimond Munar**, 18th Medical Support Squadron; **Travis Gillespie**, 18th Medical Support Squadron; **James Green**, 18th MDSS; **Miles**



Air Force graphic art by Staff Sgt. Jason Lake

Kerr, 18th Maintenance Group; **Fitzgerald Johnson**, 18th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; **Dennis Pevey**, 18th EMS; **Nathan Adams**, 18th Civil Engineering Squadron; **Max Babbitt Jr.**, 18th CES; **Hilary Edwards**, 18th CES; **David Nettow**, 18th Component Maintenance Squadron; **Michael Vining**, 18th Aircraft Maintenance

Squadron; **Clint Wyrick**, 353rd Maintenance Squadron; **Reginald Murrell**, 353rd Special Operations Support Squadron; **Dennis Tauchus**, 82nd Reconnaissance Squadron; **Michael Crabtree**, 733rd Air Mobility Squadron.

The Air Force selected 1,303 master sergeants for promotion to senior master sergeant.

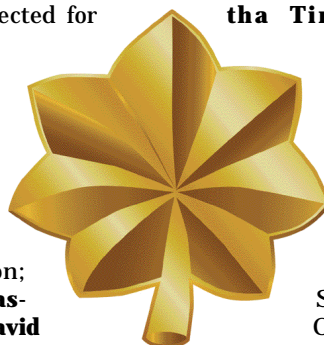
40 Kadena captains selected for promotion

Compiled from staff reports

Forty Kadena captains will be adding an oak leaf after Air Force officials recently announced promotions for major last week.

The following captains were selected for promotion:

Todd Giggy, 18th Operations Group; **Gregory Lewis**, 18th OG; **Richard McCurdy**, 18th Operations Support Squadron; **Robert Randall**, 18th OSS; **Jason Settle**, 18th OSS; **Andrew Smith**, 18th OSS; **Jennifer Reed**, 33rd Rescue Squadron; **Shaio Zerba**, 33rd RQS; **Eric Hassinger**, 44th Fighter Squadron; **David Pryor**, 44th FS; **Jerry Reedy**, 44th FS; **John Stratton**, 44th FS; **Brian Gyovai**, 67th Fighter Squadron; **Jeffrey Percy**, 67th FS; **Jason Aguilera**, 909th Air Refueling Squadron; **Reese Evers**, 909th ARS; **Daniel Hill**, 909th ARS; **Greg Kozbinski**, 909th ARS; **James Pointer**, 909th ARS; **Michelle Pryor**, 909th ARS; **Bryan Thomas**, 909th ARS; **Kathleen Hubscher**, 961st Airborne Air Control Squadron; **Craig Tayman**, 961st AACs; **Larry**



Mercier Jr., 18th Contracting Squadron; **Robert Bonner**, 18th Communications Squadron; **Scott Waters**, 18th CS; **Leo Manahl**, 18th Security Forces Squadron; **Jason Taylor**, 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; **Samantha Timm**, 18th Medical Operations Squadron; **Teg McBride**, 18th MDOS; **Christopher Bishop**, 18th Aerospace Medicine Squadron; **Christopher Rigger**, 353rd Operations Support Squadron; **Richard Macalino**, 353rd OSS; **Daniel Vanostrand**, 353rd OSS; **Mark Hedden**, 353rd Special Operations Group; **Derick Steed**, 353rd SOG; **Kelly Leuning**, 1st Special Operations Squadron; **Eben Zerba**, 1st SOS; **Gregory Gilleland**, 82nd Reconnaissance Squadron; **Sean Sullivan**, 390th Intelligence Squadron.

Air Force officials selected 2,134 captains for promotion to major in the 2005 line of the Air Force, chaplain, judge advocate general and biomedical sciences corps boards.

The list of promotion selects is posted on the Air Force Personnel Center Web site at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/offprom.

AFAF

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Some of the assistance provided includes rent subsidies and free transportation to hospitals.

The Gen. and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation cares for widowed spouses of active duty or retired Air Force members of all ranks by offering financial grants.

In 2005, Kadena received nearly \$292,000 for emergency relief funds, educational grants and community enhancement programs through the Air Force Aid Society.

For more information about the Air Force Assistance Fund

campaign, contact your unit project officer or group representative:

- 18th Civil Engineer Group
 - 2nd Lt. Kyle DeThomas at 634-0263.
- 18th Mission Support Group
 - Master Sgt. Barbara West, 634-5128.
- 18th Medical Group
 - Master Sgt. Dan Wolfe, 630-4520.
- 18th Operations Group
 - Capt. Arthur Ascano, 634-0947.
- 18th Maintenance Group
 - Master Sgt. James Sheleva, 634-6743.
- 18th Wing staff agencies
 - Master Sgt. Antonio Berry, 634-2122.
- 353rd Special Operations Group
 - Master Sgt. James Richardson, 634-6673.
- Kadena Group 7
 - Master Sgt. John Carter, 634-9170.

2005 Statistics for Kadena Emergency Assistance

Loans.....\$81,345
Grants.....\$5,546

Education

Education grants.....\$19,500
Spouse Tuition.....\$134,176

Community Programs

Bundles for Babies.....\$6,910
Car Care.....\$3,450
PCS Child Care.....\$12,695
Child Care for volunteers.....\$2,143
Give Parents a Break.....\$4,755
Heart Link.....\$1,600
Local Culture classes.....\$5,785
Phone cards.....\$6,000
Wellness.....\$429
Youth employment.....\$7,546

Air Force releases 2006 posture statement

By Senior Airman J.G. Buzanowski
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON (AFPN) -- The Air Force released its "posture statement" detailing the service's missions and priorities over the next year.

The 52-page document's introduction asks Airmen to look from their heritage to the horizon, taking lessons from the past and adapting them for the future.

It also opens with a letter from Michael W. Wynne, secretary of the Air Force, and Gen. T. Michael Moseley, Air Force chief of staff.

"Our 2006 posture statement outlines our plan to accomplish ... goals regarding (the global war on terror), our Airmen, and our aircraft and equipment," they said.

The posture statement expands those three main Air Force objectives and why they're important to today's Airmen.

The posture statement also "reflects our commitment to good stewardship of the resources entrusted to us, and our dedication to protecting our nation in air, space and cyberspace," General Moseley and Secretary Wynne wrote.

Winning the global war on terror

"Our first priority is winning the global war on terror," according to the statement. It goes on to outline the importance of air, space and cyberspace operations and their importance in both homeland defense and fighting the nation's enemies. The statement also cites emerging threats and the risk of weapons of mass destruction.



Air Force/Master Sgt. Jim Varhegyi

Sen. John Warner (R-Va.) greets Airmen attending the Senate Armed Services Committee hearing Thursday, March 2, 2006, in Washington, D.C. At right are Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. T. Michael Moseley and Secretary of the Air Force Michael W. Wynne. The invitees are, from left: Senior Airman Polly-Jan Bobseine, a security forces specialist with the 823rd Security Forces Squadron, Moody Air Force Base, Ga.; Tech. Sgt. Bradley Reilly, a combat controller with the 23rd Special Tactics Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.; Lt. Col. Anne Konnath, commander of the 328th Weapons Squadron, Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.; and Lt. Col. Trey Turner III, commander of the 17th Reconnaissance Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.

"The Air Force has been at war continually for 15 years," General Moseley said recently in testimony before the House Armed Services Committee. The posture statement further illustrates the Air Force contributions not only to missions past, but to operations Noble Eagle, Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom.

Developing and caring for Airmen

The posture statement takes into consideration the total force. Considerations for

active duty, Guard and Reserve Airmen are at the forefront of shaping and developing the Air Force.

"We must manage our force to ensure the Air Force is properly sized, shaped and organized to meet the global challenges of today and tomorrow," the posture statement reads.

It also details recruiting and retention efforts, updates on military housing, as well as new management systems for personnel actions and civilian employment.

Maintenance, modernization and recapitalization

The posture statement outlines that the Air Force is also looking to use its oldest aircraft for as long as it can while newer weapon systems are brought online. To extend the use of platforms such as the C-5 Galaxy for airlift operations, certain upgrades are essential.

The Air Force is also looking to bring its newest aircraft to the forefront of the Air Force mission, such as the F-

Testimony online

The Air Force's top leaders testified before the Senate and House Armed Services Committees March 2 about the service's posture for the coming fiscal year.

In the written and opening statements to the committees, the leaders outlined how the new budget will help the service focused on winning the global war on terrorism, developing and caring for its Airmen and modernizing and recapitalizing its equipment and aging aircraft fleet.

To review the statements to the Senate go to: www.af.mil/shared/media/document/AFD-060303-009.pdf

To review the statements to the House go to: www.af.mil/shared/media/document/AFD-060303-013.pdf

22A Raptor, unmanned aerial vehicles and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance aircraft. The posture statement also illustrates the importance of space as part of the Air Force mission.

Heritage to horizon

To successfully reach the three goals, the posture statement describes how the service will establish Air Force Smart Operations 21 practices. Essentially, AFSO21, as it's known, is the application of business plans meant to streamline everyday processes across the Air Force to be more effective and more efficient. Air Force leaders believe AFSO21 practices, as well as energy conservation, total force integration and exploring new technologies are what will bring the Air Force forward into the future.

"We have received a proud heritage forged through the ingenuity, courage and strength of the Airmen who preceded us," the statement reads.

More personnel actions available online

By Senior Airman J.G. Buzanowski
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON -- Like MyPay and LeaveWeb before, the Air Force is bringing even more military personnel flight actions online.

The process, called personnel services delivery transformation, takes effect March 31, and will encompass even more options than those of the Virtual MPF site already on the Internet.

"We're making it easier and more efficient for people to conduct their personnel business without having to worry about scheduling appointments or waiting in lines at their local MPF," said Tim Beyland, the Air Force manpower and personnel director of plans and integration.

"People already do their banking online and pay their bills online, we're just taking the next step by conducting Air Force business online," he said.

The transformation is a four-phase program, beginning this month and continuing through 2011.

The first phase begins with the active-duty force and is further broken up into seven segments called spirals.

"PSD also doesn't mean the Air Force is doing away with MPFs -- Airmen can still get help there too. But it saves the Air Force and its people time and money when MPF actions are accessible online."

Spiral 1, which goes into effect at the end of March, will move several personnel transactions Airmen usually visit their MPF for to the Web and contact center at the Air Force Personnel Center.

Additional spirals will make processes available to the remaining total force, Mr. Beyland said.

Among the initial actions transferred online are forms for evaluation appeals, retirements, retraining, and duty history corrections.

To access the new online MPF actions, Airmen just need to log into the Air Force Portal, and from there head to Virtual MPF, he said.

The goal is to move 85 percent of MPF actions

online. Once the transformation begins, however, it doesn't mean Airmen still can't get personal customer service.

"There's a contact center Airmen can call 24 hours a day, seven days a week to get help when they need it," Mr. Beyland said. "PSD also doesn't mean the Air Force is doing away with MPFs -- Airmen can still get help there too. But it saves the Air Force and its people time and money when MPF actions are accessible online."

To make the transition easier, personnelists and mission support squadron commanders have been sent training programs so they can better explain the transformation initiatives to their customers, which include guardsmen, reservists and civilians.

"This is a smarter way of doing business and will result in improved consistency and accuracy of information, fewer errors in people's records and expanded customer service hours," Mr. Beyland said.

"Web and contact center technologies have proven (themselves) and PSD will make life easier for the warfighters so they can concentrate more on their mission and less on paperwork," he said. "That's as simple as it gets."

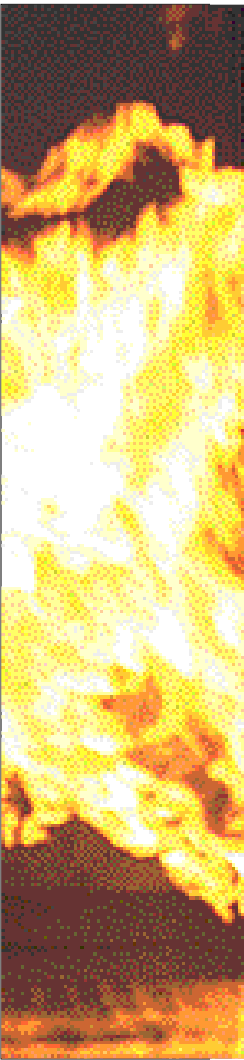
Practicing warfighting skills

18th Wing Airmen finish first exercise in preparation for readiness inspection



Air Force/Airman 1st Class Jeremy McGuffin

Senior Airman Yvette Palacios, 18th Dental Squadron, gets carried out on a stretcher by Kadena Airmen participating in Exercise Beverly High '06-01 March 1. The exercise, which lasted approximately eight days, tested the 18th Wing's ability to survive, operate and generate combat airpower in a simulated deployed location.





Air Force/Staff Sgt. Chyrece Campbell



Air Force/Tech. Sgt. Richard Freeland

(Clockwise from above)
READY TO ROLL: Crew chiefs from the 44th Fighter Squadron's aircraft maintenance unit conduct pre-flight checks on three F-15 Eagles prior to a night training mission Feb. 28 as part of the 18th Wing's first operational readiness exercise of 2006.

BY THE BOOK: Airman Cody Smith and Airman Tylar Ryan of the 18th Munitions Squadron double check a training order before loading a set of missiles on an F-15 Eagle on the flight line Feb. 28.

LIFE IN THE HOT SEAT: Senior Airman Randall Neese, 18th Civil Engineer Squadron, lowers his protective visor as Staff Sgt. Jelani Brooks, 18th CES, instructs him about how to properly extinguish a simulated aircraft fire during a training exercise at the unit's fire pit March 2.



Air Force/Airman 1st Class Jeremy McGuffin



Air Force/Airman 1st Class Stephanie Sinclair



Air Force/Airman 1st Class Sheila DeVera

(Clockwise from above)
CHECKING ON A WINGMAN: Staff Sgts. Jason Azua and Brian Klaus, both from the 18th Communications Squadron, perform buddy checks after suiting up in chemical warfare gear at the post office March 2. Exercise Beverly High '06-01 was the first exercise this year and third exercise since last year to test Airmen throughout the base on their ability to done chemical protective gear.

BUDDY CARE: (Center) Capt. Jake Millard, 909th Air Refueling Squadron, receives self-aid buddy care from Airman 1st Class Lonnie Sapp and Capt. Jonas Gonzales from the 18th Wing command post during a simulated attack.

OUT IN THE FIELD

In preparation for this fall's Operational Readiness Inspection, The Kadena Shogun Newspaper will regularly publish important information that Kadena Alirmen need to know in a combat environment.

SALUTE REPORTING DURING ATTACKS

- S** - size; exact # of personnel seen
- A** - activity; what is the enemy doing
- L** - location; where was the enemy sited?
- U** - unit/uniform; what color, markings, etc.?
- T** - time; exactly when was the enemy sited?
- E** - equipment; what did they have? Vehicles, weapons, chemical gear, etc.



Phillip Bowers, (right) son of Navy Cmdr. Patrick Bowers; Steven Heath, son of Tech. Sgt. Steven Heath of the 18th Component Maintenance Squadron; and Brandon Hautt, son of Bill Hautt of the Army Air Force and Exchange Service, play a Spanish song during an assembly highlighting Cultures Across the World Week Wednesday at Kadena Middle School.



Jonathan Compton, son of Master Sgt. David Compton of the 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, plays a taiko drum during an eisa demonstration at the seminar Wednesday.

Ayaka Wood, teachers aide at Kadena Middle School, assists in tying an obi on in preparation for the seminar highlighting world cultures.



Kadena Middle School Students Brenna Wharton, Rachel Henley, Aubrey Minakami and Elisa Mason sing a Japanese song wearing traditional yukata during the seminar Wednesday. Yukata are informal, cotton kimonos worn during the summer.

Kadena Middle School seminar celebrates world cultures

Story and photos by
Airman 1st Class Gary Edwards
18th Communications Squadron

Approximately 300 Kadena Middle School students crowded the school cafeteria to help celebrate Cultures Across the World Week Wednesday. The seminar was part of a four-day focus by the school on world cultures and foreign languages.

"We've wanted to do this for years because students get to experience different languages first hand-taking more away perhaps than from books," said Maryann Harris, an 8th grade Spanish teacher. "Immersion in

other cultures can be an invaluable experience," she said.

Several students at the school shared cultural projects, studied story telling in different languages, worked with multi-cultural themed dramas and showcased those skills in Wednesday's seminar.

"This is a good chance for students to introduce their own cultures to other students," said Hatsuyo Shimoji, a Japanese instructor at the school. "By exchanging cultures teachers also get to learn about the cultures of other students. By exchanging information everyone gains a broader perspective," she said.

White Day: Valentine's Day Part II

By Master Sgt.
Adam Johnston
18th Wing Public Affairs

Last Valentine's Day if you received chocolate from any Japanese woman -- a wife, a girlfriend or a female coworker -- you have only four days left to return the favor on Tuesday during Japan's White Day.

Especially, if you're a man.

White Day -- held exactly one month after Feb. 14 -- is like Valentine's Day Part II.

In Japan, Part I -- held on the same day as America's Valentines -- is the day only women buy the gifts. On White Day -- or Part II -- it's the man's turn.

"Valentine's Day is a lucky day for girls because they can confess how they feel about someone with a gift," said Tomoko Higa, a contracting specialist with the 18th Contracting Squadron. "On White Day, the guy is supposed to give something to the girl as a response," she said.

Mrs. Higa acknowledged that there is a certain expectation from Japanese girlfriends that a gift is in the cards for White Day from a Japanese boyfriend.

In Japan that expectation is called *giri* or an obligation. The quasi-mandatory traditional purchases of candy have also spawned an expression: *giri choco*. Japanese slang for "obligation chocolate." A newer and possibly more politically correct term in Japanese is *kansha choco* or "appreciation chocolate."

Japanese Valentine's Day -- a woman's-only variance on Feb. 14 -- was introduced here by a Japanese confectionary company in 1958, according to the Web site: Japan-guide.com.

White Day was introduced in a 1965 campaign by a marshmallow maker attempting to boost sales by urging men to repay those gifts from women with soft, fluffy marshmallows.

"The name White Day comes from the color of the candy, and at first it was called 'Marshmallow Day,'" according to the Web site, Web-Japan.org. Japanese chocolatiers began marketing white chocolates for White Day and the original association with white



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Chikako Yogi shows Isamu Taira a necklace for possible purchase as a gift for White Day. Japan's White Day -- where boyfriends purchase response gifts to girlfriends -- is like Part II of America's Valentine's Day.

marshmallows has slowly faded.

But not all candy gifts in Japan on either White Day or Valentine's Day should be viewed as precursors to romance, amorous intentions or downright expressions of love.

"When I worked at a Japanese company, women workers on Valentine's Day had to buy obligatory chocolates for all the male coworkers," said Ai Sexton, a tennis instructor with the 18th Services Squadron. "On White Day women are supposed to get back either white chocolate or some type of marshmallow treat," she said.

Sakura Uchima, a work order clerk for housing maintenance with the 718th Civil Engineer Squadron, agreed.

"If you're working in a company it doesn't matter how old you are, you kind of feel obligated to give to coworkers and your boss to show thank you," said Ms. Uchima. "Part of you feels like you have to and another part of you feels like you want to show appreciation," she said.

Ms. Uchima said female workers in her office all chipped in to make purchases of chocolate for handouts to a male boss and male Japanese workers within civil engineering. "We usually do receive something back on White Day," she said.

But not all Japanese appear to buy into such purchasing obligations.

"I never give anyone chocolate,"

said Masataka Miura, a contracting officer with the 18th Services Squadron. "It's terrible, especially since you're obligated to do it," he said. Although he acknowledged that he received chocolates from two coworkers this year, Mr. Miura jokingly said he's just not the sort of man who is happy giving out chocolate. "I'm the oldest in the office so I can't lie," he said with a laugh.

Mr. Miura wasn't the only Japanese man on Kadena who acknowledged he wouldn't be making White Day handouts.

"I used to enjoy it," said Kazuya Oyasato, a work order clerk with the 718th CES. "But now it feels like I'm controlled by a chocolate company," he said with a laugh.

While some male coworkers may short change their female coworkers on White Day, boyfriends or husbands in Japan don't get off so easily.

Those who do purchase gifts are typically required to "up the ante" for those who have captured their heart.

"There's a certain expectation from a girlfriend or a wife that if I give chocolate, I'm gonna get dinner," chuckled Mrs. Higa.

And if he forgets?

"He's gonna be in trouble," she said with a laugh.

Apparently there's no difference between the United States and Japan. Especially when it comes to the language of love.

Ask Oba-chan



"Ask Oba-chan" (Grandma) is a forum for readers to ask Japanese cultural questions. To submit a question, send an e-mail to: kadenashogun.newspaper@kadena.af.mil with the subject line -- ASK OBA-CHAN

Why is there a hole in the 5 and 50 yen coins?

The yen (en) was established as the official unit of currency in 1871. The name "en" was used because it means round, as opposed to the oblong shape of previous coinage.

Initially, there were only two coins, the 5 and 10 yen. Both were made of materials that were relatively the same, and the size was not remarkably different, so it was not easy to tell them apart during commercial transactions. To simplify things, a hole was placed in the 5 yen coin. The 50 yen coin also had a "hole-less" period in history (1955 to 1959). Again, because distinguishing it from the 100 yen coin was not easy, a hole was placed in the 50 yen coin.

There were holes in older coins, but they were typically square holes that were designed as part of the symbol of the maker or the ruler at the time the coin was produced. Although the hole was not specifically designed so that the money could be carried on a string, the hole made it convenient to do so and stringing coins was a common practice, particularly among males. A very popular samurai show of the 1980's starred a law enforcement official who would throw the coins as weapons. In every show, there would be at least one scene of him stripping a coin or two off of a piece of twine.

The 50 yen and 5 yen coins are considered lucky and often used in charms, especially the 5 yen coin. Japanese people love to play with our language, and the 5 yen coin is associated with luck because the word for karma in Japanese is Go-En.

One common practice of the 5 yen coin is the creation of a lucky "money tree" which is made by placing the coin over one of the developing branches of a Jade plant. Because the Jade plant is also a very hardy plant (even my husband kept one alive for over a decade), the lucky "money tree" is often used as a gift when celebrating a success where it is desired for the luck to continue, such as opening a new business or moving into a new home.

Another very common practice with the 5 yen coin involves wallets and purses. Because of the luck issue, some stores will place a 5 yen coin in a new wallet or purse when it is purchased. We also place the 5 yen coin in any wallet or purse that we give as a gift. In addition, some people believe that a wallet or purse should never be allowed to "get hungry," so we often leave a 5 yen coin inside those we are not using.

Whether lucky or not, the hole in the yen is a matter of convenience, not legend, but still an interesting part of our Japanese culture.

The Okinawa Perspective

The following is a synopsis of articles that appeared recently in Japanese newspapers.

- Chatan Town Mayor Masaharu Noguni gave his first policy speech after taking office during a Chatan Town Assembly regular session, March 2. During his speech, the Mayor addressed the proposed return of portions of Camp Zukeran as outlined by the USFJ transformation plan. "We will ask for the return of Camp Zukeran to the Okinawa Prefecture and we will also ask GOJ to not create detrimental conditions to landowners and local residents of the area," said Noguni. He also spoke about the proposed joint use of Kadena Air Base by the U.S. military and Japan Self-Defense Forces,

stating the proposal is being developed without consultation with local communities.

- Kadena Air Base conducted its Operational Readiness Training from Feb. 28 to March 2. According to the Kadena Town Base Affairs Section, several explosions were heard on Feb. 28 at approximately 8:30 a.m. and 9:15 a.m. and smoke was seen rising up at several base locations. Airmen at the base were seen wearing gas masks.

- Chatan Elementary School invited students from Kadena Elementary School for a cultural exchange and to give students an opportunity to practice conversational English skills on March 3. The exchange is part of several projects promoted by the Japanese Ministry of Education & Science to support English activities at local communities. Approximately 100 students participated.

Colorful connection



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Jane Bowerman, a professor with the University of Oklahoma at Kadena's education center, marvels at two butterflies perched on her hand while visiting Butterfly Park in Nago. Mrs. Bowerman was one of several Kadena residents who took a tour to the park through the 18th Services Squadron's Information Tickets and Travel office located within the Schilling Community Center. For more information on available tours, visit www.18services.com or call ITT at 634-4322.

Today

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Comedy showcase featuring Dijon and Dax Jordan. Show starts at 9 p.m. in the lounge. Adult humor and content. No one under 18 years old may attend.

• Mainstream and Urban beats in the ballroom.

• Bingo from 7 to 10 p.m.

KADENA OFFICERS' CLUB: Free wine appreciation seminar from 6 to 8 p.m. Open to Officers' Club members 20 years and older. For

more information, call 634-3663.

Saturday

SCHILLING COMMUNITY CENTER: Air Force Chess Tournament at 8 a.m. Call the center at 634-1387 for details.

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Super Ladies Night from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. in the ballroom.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Comedy showcase starts at 9 p.m. Show contains adult humor, no one under 18 years old may attend.

KADENA OFFICERS' CLUB: Handsome Stranger performs in the Weekender Lounge at 8 p.m.

Sunday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Juke box jams from 7 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Bingo from 6 to 9 p.m.

• Best of old and new variety from 7 p.m. to close in the Reflections Lounge.

Monday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Bingo from 7 to 10 p.m.

• Juke box jams from 7 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Classic and modern rock from 7 to 11 p.m. in the Reflections Lounge.

Tuesday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Juke box jams

from 7 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Bingo from 7 to 10 p.m.

• Rhythm and Blues from 5 to 10 p.m. in the Reflections Lounge.

Wednesday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Karaoke from 6 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Jazz from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Reflections Lounge.

KADENA OFFICERS' CLUB: Family membership night from 5 to 7 p.m. Open to Kadena Officers' Club members, children and one eligible guest.

Thursday

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Line dance lessons at 7 p.m., Country music from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Bingo from 7 to 10 p.m.

• Reggae from 5 to 7 p.m., Karaoke from 7 to 11 p.m. in the Reflections Lounge.

March 17

BANYAN TREE CLUB: St. Patrick's Day Toga Party from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. in the Lounge. Enter free with a toga.

• Bingo from 7 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Membership appreciation night from 5 to 9 p.m. in the ballroom. Entertainment begins at 7 p.m.

• Best of '80s and '90s night from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m.

March 18

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Movie on the Lawn near the Banyan Tree begins at 10 p.m. Movie is Napoleon Dynamite. Bring blankets and chairs.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Super Ladies Night from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m.

KADENA OFFICERS' CLUB:

Girl's night out with St. Patrick's Day theme from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

KADENA TENNIS CENTER: Mixed doubles intermediate division tennis tournament starts at 1 p.m.

March 19

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Membership night from 3 to 5 p.m.

• Juke box jams from 7 to 10 p.m.

KADENA TENNIS CENTER: Mixed doubles intermediate division tennis tournament starts at 1 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Bingo from 6 to 9 p.m.

• Best of old and new variety from 7 p.m. to close in the Reflections Lounge.

March 20

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Bingo from 7 to 10 p.m.

• Juke box jams from 7 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Classic and modern rock from 7 to 11 p.m. in the Reflections Lounge.

March 21

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Juke box jams from 7 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Bingo from 7 to 10 p.m.

• Rhythm and Blues from 5 to 10 p.m. in the Reflections Lounge.

March 22

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Karaoke from 6 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Jazz from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Reflections Lounge.

March 23

BANYAN TREE CLUB: USO Band "Clutch" plays at 8 p.m.

Doors open at 7 p.m.

• Line dance lessons at 7 p.m., Country music from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Bingo from 7 to 10 p.m.

• Reggae from 5 to 7 p.m., Karaoke from 7 to 11 p.m. in the Reflections Lounge.

March 24

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Top 40 music in the ballroom.

• Bingo from 7 to 10 p.m.

ROCKER NCO CLUB: Beefeaters Buffet from 5 to 9 p.m.

March 25

KADENA TENNIS CENTER: Mixed doubles open division tennis tournament starts at 1 p.m.

SCHILLING COMMUNITY CENTER: Movie on the lawn at Marek Park begins at 7 p.m. Movies will be Shrek and Shrek II.

March 26

BANYAN TREE CLUB: Juke box jams from 7 to 10 p.m.

MOVIES

Patrons should call Keystone Theater at 634-1869 or Butler Theater at 645-3465 to verify movie titles, showtimes and ratings.

* First Run shows are marked by an asterisk.

Keystone Theater

▲ Friday..... *Firewall, PG-13, 6 p.m.

Hoodwinked, PG, 9 p.m.

▲ Saturday.. *Firewall, PG-13, noon

Hoodwinked, PG, 4 p.m.

Hoodwinked, PG, 7 p.m.

▲ Sunday..... *Firewall, PG-13, noon

Hoodwinked, PG, 4 p.m.

Hoodwinked, PG, 7 p.m.

▲ Monday.... *Firewall, PG-13, 7 p.m.

▲ Tuesday..... Grandma's Boy, R, 7 p.m.

▲ Wednesday.. Grandma's Boy, R, 7 p.m.

▲ Thursday... *Freedomland, R, 7 p.m.

Butler Theater

▲ Friday..... *Freedomland, R, 6 p.m.

*Freedomland, R, 10 p.m.

▲ Saturday.... Hoodwinked, PG, noon

Hoodwinked, PG, 4 p.m.

*Freedomland, R, 7 p.m.

Syriana, R, 10 p.m.

▲ Sunday..... The Chronicles of Narnia, PG, noon

The Ringer, PG-13, 4 p.m.

*Freedomland, R, 7 p.m.

C H A P E L

Catholic

▲ Monday through Friday : Mass, Chapel 2, noon.

▲ Saturday : Confession, Chapel 2, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Vigil Mass, Chapel 2, 5 p.m.

▲ Sunday : Mass, Chapel 3, 8:45 a.m.

Mass, Chapel 1, 12:30 and 5 p.m.

Protestant

▲ Wednesday : Bible Study, Chapel 2, 7 p.m.

▲ Sunday : Inspirational, Chapel 2, 8:30 a.m.

Liturgical, Chapel 3, 8:45 a.m.

Evangelical, Chapel 1, 9 a.m.

Traditional, Chapel 2, 10:30 a.m.

Gospel, Chapel 3, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday school, Bldg. 327, 8:45 & 10:45 a.m.

▲ Contemporary worship: Sundays, Chapel 1, 7:30 p.m.

▲ Eastern Orthodox services: Call 645-7486

▲ Jewish services: Call 637-1027

▲ Islamic services: Call 636-3219



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Brian Simpson of the Kadena basketball team slam dunks during the first game of the Kadena Classic tournament against a team from Camp Humphreys. The tournament held at Kadena hosted military teams from across the Pacific.



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Joe Grimes of Camp Humphreys guards Eunice Defro of Kadena during game 1 of the Kadena Classic. Kadena defeated Camp Humphreys and made it to the semi-final round of the tourney before being knocked out by Kunsan's team, 80-64.



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Wayne Mobley of Kadena's basketball team, tips the ball in against Camp Humphrey's players: Vaughn Smith, Jaime Taylor and Matthew Long.